

49. (New) The method of claim 48 wherein the outer cover layer has a hardness from about 40 to about 60 shore D.

50. (New) The method of claim 49 wherein the hardness of the outer cover layer is from about 50 to about 60 shore D.

51. (New) The method of claim 46 wherein the core outer layer has a first crosslinking agent in an amount from about 20 to about 40 parts per hundred of rubber.

52. (New) The method of claim 51 wherein the amount of first crosslinking agent in the core outer layer is from about 30 to about 38 parts per hundred of rubber.

53. (New) The method of claim 51 wherein the core outer layer has from about 10 to about 17 parts of balata per hundred parts of rubber.

54. (New) The method of claim 46 wherein the center has a second crosslinking agent in an amount from about 15 to about 25 parts per hundred of rubber.

55. (New) The method of claim 54 wherein the amount of second crosslinking agent in the center is from about 19 to about 25 parts per hundred of rubber.

REMARKS

Claims 28-55 appear in this application for the Examiner's review and consideration. The Examiner indicated on page 3 of the Office Action that claims 28-55 were withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants submit the following Continuation Prosecution Application to pursue the method claims of the present invention.

The presently claimed method of making a golf ball, as set forth, for example, in independent claims 28 and 46, has a softer outer cover layer that is cast about a harder inner cover layer and a core. The Applicants believe that each of the independent claims and the dependent claims are patentable based on the arguments set forth in the Amendment filed November 22, 2000. Accordingly, it is believed that claims 28-55 are now in condition for allowance, early notice of which would be appreciated.

No additional fees are believed to be due for this submission as the one-month date, January 15, 2001, was a Federal holiday. Should any fees be required, however, please charge such fees to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150.

Respectfully submitted,



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